



*Annual Performance Report Form*

**Facility Name:** Valspar Coatings - Pittsburgh

**Performance Track ID #:** A030023

**Annual Performance Report #:** 1

**Reporting Year:** 2001

**Due Date:** April 1, 2002

## Section A

# General Facility Information

To the extent possible, EPA will pre-complete items A.1-A.8 for you. Please ensure that the information in A.1-A.8 below is accurate, complete, and up to date. Please supply or revise any information as necessary and then check the box to the left of the item(s) to indicate where changes have been made. Items A.9 and A.10 cannot be pre-completed; please respond as directed in A.9 and A.10 below.

*Did you make changes? If so, check box.*

- A.1 ☐ Name of your facility: Valspar Coatings
- A.2 ☐ Name of your parent company: The Valspar Corporation
- A.3 ☐ Facility contact person for the Performance Track program  
Name: Mr./Mrs./Ms./Dr. MR. William E. Hudanick  
Title: HSE Manager  
Phone: 412-734-8666 Fax: 412-766-5835 E-mail: bhudanick@valspar.com
- A.4 ☐ Facility's location  
Street Address: 2000 Westhall Street  
Street Address (cont.):  
City/State/Zip Code: Pittsburgh, PA 15233
- A.5 ☐ Facility's website address (if any):
- A.6 ☐ Number of employees (full-time equivalents) who currently work in the facility:  
☐ Fewer than 50 ☒ 50 - 99 ☐ 100 - 499 ☐ 500 - 1000 ☐ More than 1000
- A.7 ☐ Does your company meet the Small Business Administration definition of a small business for your sector? ☐ Yes ☒ No
- A.8 ☐ North American Industrial Classification System (NAICS) Code(s) that are used to classify business at the facility: 32551 \_\_\_\_\_
- A.9 ☐ In your application and, perhaps, in previous annual performance reports, you described what your facility does or makes. Have there been any (additional) changes to your facility's list of products and/or activities? If so, please list them in the space below. ☐ Yes ☒ No
- A.10 ☐ Please update the list of environmental requirements that apply to your facility. In the space below, indicate any changes that have taken place during this reporting period. If you have no changes to report, please write "No changes."  
No changes

## Section B

# Environmental Management System

**B.1 Environmental Management System Assessment.** Please summarize EMS assessments conducted *during the year*. Attach additional sheets as necessary.

a. Was an EMS audit or other assessment done by an independent third party?

☐ Yes ☒ No

If yes, please provide the *type* (e.g., ISO 14001 certification), the *scope*, and the *dates* (mo/yr) of each assessment.

b. Was an internal or corporate EMS audit conducted? ☒ Yes ☐ No

If yes, please provide the *scope* and the *dates* (mo/yr) of each audit.

An internal HSE audit, which includes an audit of our EMS, was conducted in August 2001 by our corporate Regulatory Affairs group. Audit results and action items are posted monthly and the audit upgrades are tracked monthly as well. Our next scheduled audit is January of 2003.

c. Was a compliance audit conducted? ☒ Yes ☐ No

If yes, please provide the *scope* and the *dates* (mo/yr) of each audit, and indicate *who* conducted the audit(s) (e.g., facility staff, corporate groups, third party).

Internally, an HSE audit is performed monthly with areas regulated under RCRA receiving daily attention. Safety Audits and Environmental audits are performed and documented as well as findings tracked to closure. The audits are conducted by the Environmental Supervisor and Plant Manager.

d. (Optional) If you would like to describe any other audits or inspections that were conducted at your facility, please do so here.

In August of 2001 we were audited by the Allegheny County Health Dept. for Air Emissions. The facility received a perfect score.

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### B.1

e. Briefly summarize corrective actions taken and other improvements made as a result of your EMS assessments and compliance audits.

There were no significant findings resulting from the internal HSE audit regarding the EMS.

f. Has your facility corrected all instances of potential non-compliance and EMS non-conformance identified during your audits and other assessments?

☐ Yes ☐ No ☒ No such instances identified

If no, please explain your plans to correct these instances.

g. When was the last Senior Management review of your EMS completed? *mo/yr* August 2001

Who headed the review?

Name: Mr./Mrs./Ms./Dr. Mr. Allen Stegman

Title: Senior Manager - Corporate Regulatory Affairs

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**B.2 ISO 14001 Certification.** Is your facility currently certified to ISO 14001? ☐ Yes ☒ No

**B.3 Environmental Aspects Identification.** When did your facility last conduct a systematic identification and/or review of your environmental aspects? *mo/yr* October 2001

**B.4 Progress Toward Achieving Objectives and Targets.** In the table below, please provide a narrative summary of progress made toward EMS objectives and targets. **You may limit the summary to environmental aspects that are *significant* and towards which *progress* has been made during the *reporting year*.** In cases where progress relates specifically to a Performance Track performance commitment, complete the *Environmental Aspect* column, but in the *Progress* column simply refer to the performance commitment tables in Section C, i.e. "See Section C." Attach additional sheets as necessary.

<i>Environmental Aspect</i>	<i>Progress Made This Year</i> (e.g., quantitative or qualitative improvements, activities conducted)
Hazardous Solid Waste	See Section C
Emissions of VOCs	See Section C
Product Performance - Expected Waste	See Section C
Energy Use - Total Energy Usage	See Section C

## Section C

# Environmental Performance Commitments

Please use the tables on pages 6-9 to summarize your facility's environmental performance against your Performance Track performance commitments. Complete only those boxes related to the baseline, current year, and performance commitment. If any of the boxes have been pre-completed for you, please verify the information. If you find information that is incorrect, cross it out and write in the correct information. **Leave blank any columns for future reporting years.**

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### Performance Commitment 1

a. Use this table to report data related to your first performance commitment.

**Category** (see page 16 of the instructions): Waste

**Aspect** (see page 16 of the instructions): Hazardous Solid Waste

	<i>Baseline (as stated in your application)</i>	<i>Year 1</i>	<i>Year 2</i>	<i>Year 3</i>	<i>Performance Commitment (the goal stated in your application)</i>
<i>Calendar Year</i>	2000	2001			2003
<i>Actual Quantity (per year)</i>	255,000	225,000			(optional)
<i>Measurement Units</i>	LBS				
<i>Normalizing Factor*</i>	1.0	.91			(optional)
<i>Basis for your Normalizing Factor*</i>	Production Levels				
<i>Normalized Quantity* (per year)</i>	255,000	247,253			190,000

\*See pages 17-19 of the instructions for more information

b. Briefly describe how you achieved improvements for this aspect or, if relevant, any circumstances that delayed progress.

Through heightening awareness for waste minimization and tracking progress daily we have reduced disposal of solid waste from 255K lbs in 2000 to 225K lbs in 2001. Such a reduction is attributed to actions such as refining cleaning procedures to include raw material solvents to clean with. Such solvents can then be reused to make the next batch versus using a virgin solvent that is disposed after use, dedicating more equipment to batches to avoid or reduce clean-ups needed to make unlike batches. We continue to reduce waste in a time when production increases. We also track HW generation on a daily basis.

c. Please list any other EPA voluntary programs to which you are also reporting these data (e.g., Energy Star, Project XL).

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## C.2 Performance Commitment 2

a. Use this table to report data related to your second performance commitment.

<b>Category</b> (see page 16 of the instructions): Air Emissions					
<b>Aspect</b> (see page 16 of the instructions): Emissions of VOC					
	<i>Baseline</i> (as stated in your application)	<i>Year 1</i>	<i>Year 2</i>	<i>Year 3</i>	<i>Performance Commitment</i> (the goal stated in your application)
<i>Calendar Year</i>	2000	2001			2003
<i>Actual Quantity</i> (per year)	25	18.5			(optional)
<i>Measurement Units</i>	TONS				
<i>Normalizing Factor*</i>	1.0	.91			(optional)
<i>Basis for your Normalizing Factor*</i>	Production Levels				
<i>Normalized Quantity*</i> (per year)	25	20			18
*See pages 17-19 of the instructions for more information					

b. Briefly describe how you achieved improvements for this aspect or, if relevant, any circumstances that delayed progress.

Valpsar realizes the damage that VOCs can potentially cause the environment. Therefore, we have manged a competetive technology that lowers VOCs goal of no VOCs. No VOCs by replacing solvent based products with waterborne formulation. This will be the driving force for a 25% reduction in VOC throught he next three years.

Admidst completing our Annual Report we have found an error in the Application with regards to this aspect. The application misrepresented our baseline performance, therefore resulting in the rest of the chart being wrong. The original "Actual Quantity" listed was a portion (one dept) of our facility and not the entire facility. This change has been made and going forward will be the baseline for our reduction efforts. Since the change dealt with measurements and not with changing an Apsect a request was not made in writing.VOC emissions were misreported for reporting year 2000. They should have read 25 TPY of VOC for 2000. VOC emissions were calculated for 2001 as being 18.5 TPY. Valpsar adopted EPA's EIIP calculation method for calculating emissions for 2001. Prior years calculation method used the industry's AP-42 method. We have found that the EIIP method is more consise than the conservative over reporting provide through AP-42.

c. Please list any other EPA voluntary programs to which you are also reporting these data (e.g., Energy Star, Project XL).



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## C.3 Performance Commitment 3

a. Use this table to report data related to your third performance commitment.

<b>Category</b> (see page 16 of the instructions): Product Performance					
<b>Aspect</b> (see page 16 of the instructions): Expected Waste					
	<i>Baseline (as stated in your application)</i>	<i>Year 1</i>	<i>Year 2</i>	<i>Year 3</i>	<i>Performance Commitment (the goal stated in your application)</i>
<i>Calendar Year</i>	2000	2001			2003
<i>Actual Quantity (per year)</i>	294,627	262,352			(optional)
<i>Measurement Units</i>	Defective Lbs.				
<i>Normalizing Factor*</i>	1.0	.91			(optional)
<i>Basis for your Normalizing Factor*</i>	Production Levels				
<i>Normalized Quantity* (per year)</i>	294,627	288,298			206,238
*See pages 17-19 of the instructions for more information					

b. Briefly describe how you achieved improvements for this aspect or, if relevant, any circumstances that delayed progress.

Being faced with acquisitioned new technology it gets increasingly tougher to manage production. New products means new formulas and formula issues. Special attention has been given to past problem batches to eliminate reoccurrence. Formulators are also required to montior all first time batches in order to ensure adherence to quality. This will be the driving force behind a 30% reduction over three years. The chart reflects the requested changes from batches converted to mass calculations. We ended 2000 with 60 defective batches. We set a goal of 40 for 2001. We ended 2001 with 39 defective batches. 21 of which were substandard and 18 were rejected.

c. Please list any other EPA voluntary programs to which you are also reporting these data (e.g., Energy Star, Project XL).

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## C.4

### Performance Commitment 4

a. Use this table to report data related to your fourth performance commitment.

**Category** (see page 16 of the instructions): Energy Use

**Aspect** (see page 16 of the instructions): Total Energy Usage

	<i>Baseline (as stated in your application)</i>	<i>Year 1</i>	<i>Year 2</i>	<i>Year 3</i>	<i>Performance Commitment (the goal stated in your application)</i>
<i>Calendar Year</i>	2000	2001			2003
<i>Actual Quantity (per year)</i>	5,625,000	5,325,000			(optional)
<i>Measurement Units</i>	KWHrs				
<i>Normalizing Factor*</i>	1.0	.91			(optional)
<i>Basis for your Normalizing Factor*</i>	Production Levels				
<i>Normalized Quantity* (per year)</i>	5,625,000	5,851,648			5,050,000
*See pages 15-17 of the instructions for more information					

b. Briefly describe how you achieved improvements for this aspect or, if relevant, any circumstances that delayed progress.

5,625M KWHrs of energy were used in 2000. 5,325 KWHrs of energy were used in 2001. We have a local company track and reduce utility costs by conservation and modifying our load factors. The company is Utility Cost Cutters and the yearly energy savings are shared..

c. Please list any other EPA voluntary programs to which you are also reporting these data (e.g., Energy Star, Project XL).

## Section D

# Public Outreach and Performance Reporting

**D.1** Please briefly summarize the public outreach and reporting activities that your facility has conducted during the year. Feel free, but not obligated, to attach supporting materials (e.g., meeting agendas, public announcements).

The facility has had no spills or releases to report to the community.

We are planning a "Disaster Drill" for 2003. The drill will involve acting out a disaster in conjunction with all the local agencies and the local community.

Valspar has a consumer paint division. Volunteers from the Pittsburgh location have organized a "Paint Your Heart Out" weekend. The group will spend a weekend painting 7 houses of those who are less fortunate and would not normally afford to do so on their own. The paint and materials are donated by the company.

**D.2** Please indicate which of the following methods your facility plans to use to make its Performance Track Annual Performance Report available to the public. Please check as many as are appropriate.

☒ Website (URL [www.valspar.com](http://www.valspar.com))

☐ Open House

☐ Meetings

☐ Press Releases

☐ Community Advisory Panel

☐ Other

## Section E

### Self-Certification of Continued Program Participation

On behalf of Valspar Coatings, Pittsburgh,  
(name of my facility)

I certify that

- ◆ I have read and agree to the terms and conditions specified in *the National Environmental Performance Track Program Guide*. This facility, to the best of my knowledge, continues to meet all program criteria;
- ◆ I have personally examined and am familiar with the information contained in this Annual Performance Report. The information contained in this report is, to the best of my knowledge and based on reasonable inquiry, true, accurate, and complete;
- ◆ My facility has an environmental management system (EMS), as defined in the Performance Track EMS criteria, including systems to maintain compliance with all applicable federal, state, tribal, and local environmental requirements in place at the facility, and the EMS will be maintained for the duration of the facility's participation in the program;
- ◆ My facility has conducted an objective assessment of its compliance with all applicable federal, state, tribal, and local environmental requirements; and the facility has corrected all identified instances of potential or actual noncompliance; and
- ◆ Based on the foregoing compliance assessments and subsequent corrective actions (if any were necessary), my facility is, to the best of my knowledge and based on reasonable inquiry, currently in compliance with applicable federal, state, tribal, and local environmental requirements.

I agree that EPA's decision whether to accept participants into or remove them from the National Environmental Performance Track is wholly discretionary, and I waive any right that may exist under any law to challenge EPA's acceptance or removal decision.

I am the senior manager with responsibility for the facility and am fully authorized to execute this statement on behalf of the corporation or other legal entity whose facility is part of the National Environmental Performance Track program.

Signature/Date \_\_\_\_\_

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Title Plant Manager

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Facility Name Valspar Coatings

Facility Street Address 2000 Westhall Street

Performance Track Identification Number A030023

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